REMARKS

The Applicant hereby proposes an amendment to claim 66. The purpose of the

amendment is to modify the claim to conform to the appropriate independent claim.

Claim 66 currently refers to a "non-volatile memory device". However, claim 66

' is dependent on claim 61, which refers to a "flash memory device". The intervening

claims 62-65 contain the correct term, but counsel inadvertently used a different term in

claim 66.

It is submitted that the amendment merely corrects a formality with regard to

dependent claim 66 to conform to the independent claim and does not affect the scope of

the claims.

It is noted that the remaining claims are not presented in this amendment. It is the

understanding of counsel that this constitutes the proper form for an amendment under

the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.312, but counsel will provide an amendment in a different

form if this is required. However, no changes to the remaining claims have been made or

are intended.

Conclusion

Applicant respectfully requests that the proposed amendment presented herein be

entered.

Docket No.: 42P10725

Application No.: 09/752,550

-3-

Invitation for a Telephone Interview

The Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at (303) 740-1980 if there remains any issue with allowance of the case.

Request for an Extension of Time

The Applicant respectfully petitions for an extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) should one be necessary. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 09-0457 to cover the necessary fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 for such an extension.

Charge our Deposit Account

Please charge any shortage to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

BLAKELY, SOKOLOFF, TAYLOR & ZAFMAN LLP

Date: 1/7/04

Mark C. Van Ness

Reg. No. 39,865

12400 Wilshire Boulevard 7th Floor Los Angeles, California 90025-1026 (303) 740-1980

Docket No.: 42P10725 Application No.: 09/752,550

-4-